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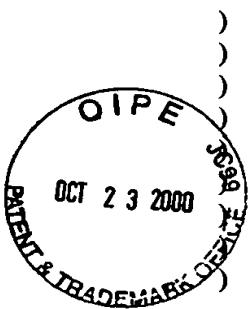
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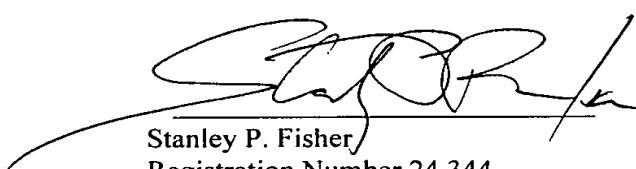
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants request that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for **one (1) month**. The fee set in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for the extension of time is \$110.00.

The fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension of time to Deposit Account 08-1480. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a Response to an Office Action.

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